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Miss Ocllo Boykin Smith
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Dear Sugar Pie:

Well, I am enclosing you a picture of your pretty self, along with your beautiful little friend that you brought all the way from way up there in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, to way down here to see your Mama and Papa's pretty party, and this picture is fine.

We went out to meet Miss Alabama yesterday. I was Chairman of the Greeting Committee and Mother and I went to dinner with them last night. She tells me that Sondra Boykin, in a contest with her -- I think it was the Elks -- beat her out. Sondra must need somebody to manage her. Anyway, this is a beautiful girl and if we hadn't already had a Miss America from Alabama, I think she would have won out, or if she had had somebody to have told her, etc.

Anyway, we are going down to a meeting tonight where your pretty little baby sister, Miss Sandra Lee, will "tip-toe through the tulips" and Mrs. Betty Boykin Walker will do the same thing; so will so many folks. Betty is Chairman of this and she is so fine and she said such sweet things about you, and so did Cornelia McDuffie Turner, and Mother says that they wrote all of us up all over the papers. Well, your Daddy and Mother and you all that helped them give the party deserve that. Why on earth we didn't take the President of the University out to the party, I just don't know, but you always forget the most important people, don't you?

Well, "Bear" Bryant did a great job. I sent him a long letter and I think I sent you a copy of same. Well, we have some great folks in Alabama -- certainly the women are, because those yankees from that Far East and West and everywhere else never can win out over our Southern girls.

Anyway, it is too bad about this segregation business. I am enclosing you a copy of a telegram that I have just sent to Governor Faubus.

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Well, all of them were shining last night. The food was fine and we were up on top of the skylit roof of the Admiral Semmes Hotel overlooking beautiful Mobile Bay, way out almost to our homes there on the Gulf of Mexico.

Well, we are counting on you, and the Hummel Company, who is sponsoring this great Model Show down at Brookley tonight, says you were the most charming and the most wonderful girl in that last show, and they said so many fine things about you. So, you have a lot to live up to, don't you? Well, don't we all? Anyway, we will do our very best and leave the rest, and if God is for you, who can be against you? And He certainly is for us.

Give them all our love, and all the Ward McFarlands. I will send your Mother and Daddy a copy of this letter, and we will also send Miss Sandra Lee and Riley Boykin Smith, who can get around so swift, especially with that hoop, a copy.

God bless you, darling, and hurry and come home and let us know if you need us, now or at any other time, for anything in this world. We thought your little friend was really a real sweet, pretty, precious person -- just like you.

God bless you again, and all of us send love -- Lucas and all of the girls, your uncles and aunts and all of us.

God bless you again, real good.

Mother and Me,

Ocllo and Frank W. Boykin

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